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Atty Atty

Gerald K. Kobashi (Estate)

Kane, Jeffrey P. (for Stanley Kobashi – Administrator – Petitioner)

Herr, Leonard (GAL for Gregory Zaragosa – Son)

Amended (1) First and Final Report of Personal Representative, and (2) Petition for Final Distribution and (3) Attorneys' Fees for Ordinary and Extraordinary Services on Waiver of Accounting (PC 12200)

DO	D: 2-5-09		<b>STANLEY KOBASHI</b> , Brother and Administrator with Full IAEA without bond, is Petitioner.	NE	EDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
	Aff.Sub.Wit. Verified Inventory		Accounting is waived.  I&A: \$180,000.00 POH: \$186,128.84 (\$6,128.84 cash plus real and personal property)  Administrator (Statutory): Waived	1.	Costs include \$9.08 for overnight delivery services. However, pursuant to Local Rules, this is considered a cost of doing business and not reimbursable. Therefore, if granted, cost reimbursement will be decreased by this amount.
> >	PTC Not.Cred. Notice of Hrg Aff.Mail Aff.Pub. Sp.Ntc. Pers.Serv. Conf. Screen Letters Duties/Supp	W	Attorney (Statutory): \$6,400.00  Attorney (Extraordinary): \$3,466.00 (for 11.15 paralegal and attorney hours for services in connection with establishing a special needs trust for Decedent's son)  Attorneys' fees for Guardian Ad Litem: \$3,368.75 (Exhibit Dooley Herr Pedersen & Berglund Bailey, for Leonard C. Herr, GAL for Gregory Zaragoza, Decedent's adopted son, for 20.75 hours @ \$150-175.	2.	The proposed promissory note provides that Petitioner as Administrator will make payments to Petitioner individually over a 21-month period, secured by a lien on the real property. However, this petition proposes to close the estate, which has minimal cash, and distribute to petitioner individually. Therefore, need clarification as to how Petitioner proposes to repay himself from
> >	Objections Video Receipt CI Report 9202 Order Aff. Posting Status Rpt UCCJEA Citation FTB Notice		175/hr, per separate declaration)  Costs: \$1,073.08 (filing, certified letters, overnight delivery service, publication)  Petitioner states the decedent was survived by his adopted son, his mother, and his brother (Petitioner). The family agreed that the son and mother would disclaim their interest so that Petitioner would inherit the estate, and he would then establish a special needs trust for the decedent's son.  Petitioner proposes that due to the shortage of cash to pay the administrative expenses, he will loan the estate the balance to pay these	Rev Up	viewed by: skc viewed on: 7-31-13 dates: commendation:
			expenses under certain terms detailed in the attached promissory note, secured by deed of trust.  Distribution pursuant to intestate succession and disclaimers:  Stanley Kobashi: Entire estate		

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Barron, Richard B. (for Petitioner/Trustee Perine & Dickens Professional Fiduciaries)

Petition of Trustee for Approval of Second Account Current, for Approval of Trustee's Fees and for Authorization to Compensate Counsel for the Trustee

		PERINE & DICKENS PROFESSIONAL	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
		FIDUCIARIES, Trustee, is petitioner.	
		Account period: 4/1/11 - 1/31/13	Order approving expenditure from trust funds for remodel of    Departure of the profit of the p
Co ✓	Aff.Sub.Wit.  Verified	Accounting - \$183,087.66 Beginning POH- \$161,984.16 Ending POH - \$118,137.86	beneficiary's residence signed on 11/15/11 allowed up to \$71,436.07 for improvements on the home and to purchase a storage shed. During the
	PTC Not.Cred.	Attorney - <b>\$5,493.00</b> (per itemization and declaration, 39 hour @\$225-235/hr.)	first account \$40,495.90 was used for the remodel and during the second account \$31,943.46 for a total of \$72,439.36, a difference of \$1,003.29.
✓ ✓	Notice of Hrg  Aff.Mail W/	Trustees - \$9,756.00 (Trustees are allowed to pay themselves for services	Note: If the petition is granted, a status
	Aff.Pub.	rendered at \$120 per hour not to exceed \$1,500.00 per month.)	hearing will be set as follows:
	Sp.Ntc.	ψ1,500.00 per mornin.j	
	Pers.Serv.	Current bond is \$200,000.00. <b>Petitioner</b>	• Friday, February 27, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.
	Conf. Screen	request bond be reduced to \$152,000.00.	in Department 303, for the filing of the bond.
	Letters	Petitioner prays for an Order:	
	Duties/Supp		Pursuant to Local Rule 7.5 if the required
	Objections	Settling Trustee's Second Account and	documents are filed 10 days prior the
	Video Receipt	allowing, confirming and approving all acts and transactions set forth herein;	date set the status hearing will come off calendar and no appearance will be
	CI Report	2. Approving fees received by the Trustees	required.
	9202	through 1/31/13	
✓	Order	<ul><li>3. Reducing the bond to \$152,000.00;</li><li>4. Authorizing Trustees to pay their</li></ul>	
	Aff. Posting	attorneys the sum of \$5,493.00 for	Reviewed by: KT
	Status Rpt	attomey fees and costs.	Reviewed on: 8/1/2013
	UCCJEA		Updates:
	Citation		Recommendation:
	FTB Notice		File 2 – Diaz

- Atty Johnson, Summer A (for Anita Leal-Idrogo Petitioner Daughter)
- Atty Karuthers, Heather (Public Guardian-Conservator)
- Atty Bergstrom, Robert Q. (for Harry Baker Petitioner- Former Spouse)

Petition for Appointment of Probate Conservator of the Person (Prob. C. 1820, 1821, 2680-2682)

Age: 92			
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	Duties/Supp		
	Objections		
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✓	CI Report		
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✓	Order		
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### TEMPORARY EXPIRES 08/06/2013

**ANITA LEAL-IDROGO**, daughter appointed conservator 07/23/2012, nominates the Public Guardian as successor conservator of the person.

Bruce Bickel was appointed conservator of the estate on 07/25/2012.

Petitioner is requesting the following additional powers:

- Power to have Ms. Haney examined by appropriate physicians skilled in the area of expertise necessitated by Ms. Haney's condition(s)
- Power to consent to all non-psychosis and non-dementia related medical treatments for Ms. Haney
- Power to hire an appropriate nurse or other licensed professional to monitor and administer the all non-psychosis and non-dementia prescribed medications, including any insulin injections required by Ms. Haney
- Power to employ (and discharge) such persons, agencies or service providers to provide home health care services to Ms. Haney in her residence
- Power to change the residence of the conservatee to a skilled nursing facility or assisted living facility, as determined by the conservator of the person, in consultation with experienced professionals and medical providers, commensurate with Ms. Haney's needs, if deemed appropriate by the Conservator of the Person.

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NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:

Continued from
07/25/2013 per Order on
Stipulation to Continue
Hearing date signed by
Judge Kristi Culver
Kapetan on 07/19/2013.

2B the competing Petition for Appointment of Successor Conservator of the person filed by Harry Baker, former spouse of proposed conservatee.

Minute Order of 04/08/2013 states: per agreement of the parties of the parties, the Court appoints the Public Guardian as temporary conservator of the person. The temporary expires 05/16/2013 (extended to 06/27/2013 per minute order of 05/16/2013). Ms. Johnson is directed to prepare the order. The Court orders that Ms. Haney not be moved from her current residence without a noticed hearing for which, the Court will entertain an order shortening time. In addition, there is to be no interference with Ms. Hanev's church activities and Mr. Baker is to be notified of any health issues.

Reviewed by: LV
<b>Reviewed on:</b> 08/01/2013
Updates:
Recommendation:
File 4A - Haney

**4A** 

## 4A (additional page) Mildred Haney (CONS/PE) Case No.12CEPR00534

Declaration of Cecil H. Bullard, M.D. filed 07/23/2012.

**Petitioner states**: the conservatee has been diagnosed with dementia and, due to a diabetes related below the knee leg amputation, requires the assistance of wheel chair. The Conservatee continues to require assistance with her providing for her personal needs, including her activities of daily living and medication supervision.

Court Investigator Jennifer Young's report filed 03/28/2013.

Atty Johnson, Summer A (for Anita Leal-Idrogo – Daughter)
Atty Karuthers, Heather (Public Guardian-Conservator)

Atty Bergstrom, Robert Q. (for Harry Baker – Petitioner- Former Spouse)

First Amended Petition for Appointment of Probate Conservator of the Person (Prob. C. 1820, 1821, 2680-2682)

Age: 92		HARRY BAKER, former spouse, is petitioner.	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:	
		Bruce Bickel was appointed conservator of the estate on 07/25/2012.	Continued from 07/25/2013 per Order on	
Cont. from 040813, 051613, 062713, 072513  Aff.Sub.Wit.  ✓ Verified  Inventory  PTC  Not.Cred.  ✓ Notice of Hrg  ✓ Aff.Mail		Petitioner states: the conservatee resides at the Cedar Creek Senior Living Center in Madera, Ca. The conservatee has made new friends and enjoys playing bingo. The staff treats her well. Because the conservatee can no longer drive, the conservatee has relied on her former spouse, Harry Baker, to take her to appointments with her doctors and attorneys, to go shopping, and to attend church services. Mr. Baker visits the conservatee daily and she enjoys his company. Because of his relationship to the	Stipulation to Continue Hearing date signed by Judge Kristi Culver Kapetan on 07/19/2013.  Court Investigator Advised Rights on 05/09/2013.  1. Petitioner did not date and sign Letters.	
	Aff.Pub.	conservatee, he is familiar with her medical issues and is in a better position than the Public		
<b>√</b>	Sp.Ntc. Pers.Serv.	Guardian to be sensitive to her needs.		
	Conf. Screen	Court Investigator Jennifer Young's report filed		
✓	Letters	05/09/2013.		
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Atty Sanoian, Joanne L. (for Petitioner Eileen Sutterfield)

Atty Burnside, Leigh (for Respondent/Cross Petitioner Ronald Gray)

Atty Sharbaugh, Catherine (court appointed for principal Lois Gray)

Petition to Compel Trustee to Reimburse Trust and Attorneys Fees [Prob. C. 16420, et seq.]

	EILEEN SUTTERFIELD is petitioner.	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
Cont. from  Aff.Sub.Wit.  Verified  Inventory  PTC  Not.Cred.  Notice of Hrg X  Aff.Mail X  Aff.Pub.  Sp.Ntc.  Pers.Serv.  Conf. Screen  Letters  Duties/Supp	Petitioner states she is an interested person as she is the child of the Settlor and Successor Co-Trustee of the Trust.  The Trust estate is funded with one parcel of real property located in Fresno and one parcel of real property located in Sweet Home, Oregon, and a mobile home. All other assets and property of Lois Gray owned at the time of the creation of the Trust were specifically not included in the funding of the Trust.  Petitioner states she has requested the Co-Trustee of the Trust on several occasions beginning in October 2012 to agree to sell the mobile home owned by the Settlor to stop the \$700 per month space rental and allow additional funds to be provided to the assisted living facility that she resides in. Ronald Gray has refused to participate in the sale.	<ol> <li>The Trust is not properly before the court. The Court does not have jurisdiction to make orders regarding the Trust. This petition should be filed in a separate trust action.</li> <li>Need Notice of Hearing.</li> <li>Need Proof of Service of Notice of Hearing on all parties entitled to notice.</li> <li>Need Order.</li> </ol>
Objections  Video Receipt  CI Report  9202  Order X  Aff. Posting  Status Rpt  UCCJEA  Citation  FTB Notice	As a result of Ronald Gray's lack of concern for Mrs. Gray's financial situation, the Trust has ultimately been financially affected. First there is approximately six months of time that has passed while the mobile home should have been on the market for a total of \$4,200.00. Additionally, there have been attorneys' fees for both Petitioner and Ronald Gray that were not necessary.  Therefore, Petitioner is requesting redress of monetary damages to the Trust and all applicable attorney fees be paid by Ronald Gray and not the Trust.  Please see additional page	Reviewed by: KT Reviewed on: 8/2/2013 Updates: Recommendation: File 5A – Gray

# 5A In Matter of: Lois Gray Durable Power of Attorney Case No. 13CEPR00214

### Wherefore, Petitioner prays for an Order that:

- 1. Ronald Gray reimburse the Lois Gray Trust for funds unnecessarily spent for the space rental for the mobile home;
- 2. Ronald Gray to pay Petitioner's attorney fees;
- 3. Ronald Gray be required to pay his own attorney's fees;

Atty Atty Atty Sanoian, Joanne L. (for Petitioner Eileen Sutterfield) Burnside, Leigh (for Respondent/Cross Petitioner Ronald Gray) Sharbaugh, Catherine (court appointed for principal Lois Gray) **Status Hearing** 

Cont. from Aff.Sub.Wit. Verified Inventory PTC Not.Cred. Notice of Hrg Aff.Mail Aff.Pub. Sp.Ntc. Pers.Serv. Conf. Screen Letters **Duties/Supp Objections** Video Receipt **CI Report** 9202 Order Aff. Posting **Status Rpt UCCJEA** Citation FTB Notice

A Settlement Conference as held on 7/22/13. Minute order states the matter was not settled. The Court orders Lois Gray not to be moved until further order of the Court.

#### **Background:**

**EILEEN SUTTERFIELD**, child and co-agent pursuant to the Durable Power of Attorney, filed a Petition to Compel Agent to Act.

The Petition states the matter concerned the coagent, Ronald Gray's, lack of cooperation in regard to the Power of Attorney and therefore detrimentally affecting the Settlor's property, assets and intent behind drafting the documents.

Petitioner alleges Lois Gray, on or about 4/8/2009, executed The Durable Power of Attorney for Management of Property and Personal Matters. Petitioner states she is aware of the terms of the POA. Based on her firsthand knowledge and having read the POA, the Petitioner contends that she and her Co-Agent were designated to pay all necessary debts including the power to sell ownership of the property.

Lois Gray is currently residing at Cottonwood Retirement facility. The Settlor recently suffered from a stroke and is now diagnosed with dementia. The cost of living at Cottonwood is approximately \$4,720 each month with additional medical incidental costs of \$1,250.00.

Petitioner contends that pursuant to Section 2.A.(1) the Co-Agents are capable of taking any action necessary regarding the Settlor's real and personal property. This would include the Settlor's mobile home she is no longer residing in and will not be able to reside in at any future date. To keep the vacant mobile home costs the Settlor approximately \$700.00 per month for rental of the land within a complex and insurance.

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#### **NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:**

- 1. Need current written status report pursuant to Local Rule 7.5 which states in all matters set for status hearing verified status reports must be filed no later than 10 days before the hearing. Status Reports must comply with the applicable code requirements. Notice of the status hearing, together with a copy of the Status Report shall be served on all necessary parties.
- 2. The original petition was never served on Principal, Lois Gray pursuant to Probate Code §4544.
- 3. An Order for Eileen Sutterfield's Petition to Compel Agent to Act was never submitted to the court.

Note: Order on Cross Petition of Ronald Gray contains a place to insert the date that Eileen Sutterfield is to account by.

**Note:** Joanne Sanoian substituted in as attorney of record for Eileen Sutterfield on 7/24/2013. Eileen Sutterfield was formerly represented by Jennifer Walters.

Reviewed by: KT Reviewed on: 8/2/2013

**Updates:** 

**Recommendation:** 

File 5B - Gray

### 5B In Matter of: Lois Gray Durable Power of Attorney Case No. 13CEPR00214

Petitioner stated she has requested of the Co-Agent, Ronald Gray, on several occasions to agree to sell the mobile home owned by the Settlor to allow for additional funds to be provided to the assisted living facility. Ronald Gray refuses to participate in the sale unless the funds are provided to a joint trust account. A trust account is not necessary as the proceeds of the sale can be directly provided to Cottonwood for the monthly expenses.

#### Petitioner requested the Court enter an order that:

- 1. Lois Gray established the Lois Gray Durable Power of Attorney, on or about April 8, 2009;
- 2. The Co-Agents named by the Settlor are Eileen Sutterfield and Ronald Gray;
- 3. Co-Agent Ronald Gray be ordered to participate in the facilitation of the sale of the mobile home owned by the Settlor:
- 4. For all other relief as the Court deems proper under the circumstances.

Respondent Ronald Gray's Response to Petition to Compel Agent to Act; Cross Petition to Compel Co-Agent to Account and Report filed on 5/2/13. Respondent admits some of the allegations in the petition and denies other allegations in the petition.

Wherefore, Respondent respectfully requests an order:

- 1. Dismissing the Petition with prejudice;
- 2. For costs incurred herein;
- 3. For any and all other relief the Court deems just and proper.

#### Cross Petition to Compel Co-Agent to Account and Report.

Cross Petitioner, Ronald Gray, alleges:

On 4/8/2009 Lois Gray executed a Durable Power of Attorney for Management of Property and Personal Affairs (DPOA) appointing her children, Ronald Gray (Mr. Gray) and Eileen Sutterfield (Ms. Sutterfield) as her co-agents.

In conjunction with the DPOA, Lois Gray also executed the Lois Gray Living Trust (the Trust).

The Trust estate consists of two parcels of real property and a mobile home, none of which has substantial value. The Trust has no liquid assets, but Mr. Gray is informed and believes that Lois Gray has one or more bank accounts at Chase Bank held in her name individually, from which her living expenses have been, and are being paid. Mr. Gray is further informed that Ms. Sutterfield is named as a co-owner of said account(s) solely for the purpose of facilitating the payments of Lois Gray's bills and expenses. Ms. Sutterfield has not provided Mr. Gray with copies of the monthly statements of a Chase Bank checking account belonging to Lois Gray since approximately November 2012, despite repeated requests.

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# 5B In Matter of: Lois Gray Durable Power of Attorney Case No. 13CEPR00214

Recently, Ms. Sutterfield began demanding that Mr. Gray assist her in selling the mobile home to pay for Lois Gary's board and care at the assisted living facility. She also stopped providing Mr. Gray with copies of the monthly bank statements. Ms. Sutterfield has also refused Mr. Gray's request to meet to resolve the matter of how best to take care of their mother's finances. Mr. Gray suggested, for example, that he and Ms. Sutterfield establish a bank account in their capacity as co-trustees of the trust to hold all funds for the benefit of their mother. Ms. Sutterfield, however, has refused to do so and continues to refuse to provide information regarding the status of their mother's funds, which funds are now under the exclusive control of Ms. Sutterfield.

For the foregoing reasons, Mr. Gray request that the Court order Ms. Sutterfield to account and report regarding the joint bank account at Chase Bank that she shares with Lois Gray, as well as any toher account she owns with Lois Gray, for the period commencing August 1, 2012 through April 30, 2013.

#### Wherefore, Petitioner prays for an Order:

- 1. That Ms. Sutterfield account and report for the funds contained in all accounts that she owns with Lois Gray for the period commencing August 1, 2012 through April 30, 2013.
- 2. That Cross-Petitioner be awarded his costs incurred herein, and;
- 3. That the Court order any and all other relief it deems just and proper.

**Supplement in Support of Cross-Petition filed on 5/16/13.** Ronald Gray states that it is his belief that the funds in the Chase Bank account are the property of Mrs. Gray, and that Eileen has not deposited any of her own personal funds into said account. Accordingly pursuant to Probate Code §5301 (a), all of the funds in the account belong to Mrs. Gray.

Ronald Gray alleges Eileen has admitted that the funds in the Chase Bank account are exclusively the property of Mrs. Gray and, upon Mrs. Gray's death are to be distributed to the beneficiaries of Mrs. Gray's trust.

Since December 2012, Eileen has refused Donald's request to provide copies of the Chase Bank account statements to Ronald notwithstanding his is the co-agent of Mrs. Gray under a properly executed Durable Power of Attorney. Ronald states he met with Eileen on May 14, 2013, and again requested she provide him with copies of the statements, but Eileen continues to refuse to do so in the grounds that she is a co-owner of the account and has no obligation to share any information with Ronald. Ronald visited a branch of Chase Bank on or about 5/10/2013, with a copy of the DPOA and requested copies of the statements, but bank personnel would not provide them.

Eileen continues to withhold information from him relative to Mrs. Gray's finances, yet demands that he agree to sell Mrs. Gray's mobile home, which is actually an asset of the Mrs. Gray's living Trust. Eileen however has been unwilling to agree to deposit the sale proceeds into a Trust account titled in the names of both Ronald and Eileen as co-Trustees. Due to Eileen's refusal to do so, as well as her refusal to share Mrs. Gray's financial information with him, Ronald has not agreed to the sale of the mobile home.

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Petitioner Eileen Sutterfield's Response to Respondent Ronald Gray's Cross-Petition to Compel Co-Agent to Account and Report and Supplement in Support of Cross-Petition to Compel Co-Agent to Account and Report was filed 5/21/13. Cross Respondent states since the execution of the DPOS and the Trust, Lois Gray has been diagnosed with dementia and suffered a stroke. Lois Gray is currently residing in a care facility in Fresno. Cross Respondent admits that the Trust estate contains two parcels of real property and a mobile home. Cross-Respondent admits that the Trust has no liquid assets. Cross-Respondent further admits that she has not provided Mr. Gray monthly bank statements of a Chase bank account since November 2012. Cross-Respondent denies that she has refused Mr. Gray's attempts to meet and resolve the matter of how best to take care of their mother's finances.

Cross-Respondent admits that Mrs. Gray added her daughter Eileen Sutterfield to the account. Cross-Respondent admits that she has not deposited any of her own personal funds into the account. Cross-Respondent admits that Mr. Gray is a co-agent under a properly executed Durable Power of Attorney. Cross-Respondent continues to refuse to provide Cross-Petitioner with copies of statements on the ground she is a co-owner of the account and has no obligation to share any information with Cross-Petitioner.

Cross-Respondent alleges Cross-Petitioner has absolutely no authority to bring his cross-petition under Probate Code sections 4236 and 4241. Probate Code § 4236 states that an "attorney-in-fact shall keep records of all transactions entered into by the attorney-in-fact on behalf of the principal." That may be true when Cross-Petitioner acts as an agent under a DPOA to conduct transactions, but Cross-Respondent is not using or acting as an Agent under Mrs. Gray's DPOA to conduct transactions for Mrs. Gray and Cross-Respondent's joint Chase checking account. Mrs. Gray added Cross-Respondent to her Chase checking account several years ago. Mrs. Gray did not specifically state to Cross-Petitioner why she added her only that she wanted Cross-Respondent as a co-owner of the Chase checking account. Cross-Respondent is a co-owner of the Chase checking account and has a right of survivorship.

Cross-Respondent states she has no duty to pay her mother's finances with the funds from the joint account, but chooses to do so as co-owner. By operation of law, Cross-Respondent becomes the sole owner of the Chase account and can choose to give the money to the Trust after her mother's death. That doesn't make the funds in the joint account automatically "Trust fund." Mrs. Gray's intent is clear she did not want her checking account funds to be part of her Trust, and she wanted to daughter to be a co-owner of her Chase checking account with right of survivorship. Cross-Respondent simply has no duty under the Probate Code to account and report to Cross-Petitioner for her and Mrs. Gray's joint account.

Cross-Petitioner has stated that he as a co-agent under the DPOA is refusing to sell Mrs. Gray's mobile home because he wants to see the bank statements from the joint checking account, even though he is aware that the vacant mobile home is costing \$700.00 per month. Cross-Petitioners actions are harmful and not in the best interest of the principal, Mrs. Gray. Cross-Petitioner's actions and delay in selling the mobile home are unreasonable and unjustified.

Wherefore, Cross-Petitioner respectfully requests that the Court deny the Cross-Petitioner in his entirety.

### 5B In Matter of: Lois Gray Durable Power of Attorney

Case No. 13CEPR00214

**Status Report of Cross Petitioner Ronald Gray filed on 6/20/2013.** The Status Report states Ronald Gray and Eileen Sutterfield are the children of Lois Gray, who currently resides at Somerford Place in Fresno. Ms. Gray suffers from Alzheimer's dementia and relies on her children to assist her with her financial affairs. Both Ronald and Eileen are nominated and acting agents for Mrs. Gray under a durable power of attorney executed in April 2009 and are successor trustees of a revocable trust established by Mrs. Gray in April 2009.

In the latter part of 2012, a dispute arose between Ronald and Eileen over the management of Mrs. Gray's affairs and Ronald's right to access financial information in his capacity as a co-agent under the DPOA. Eileen wanted to sell Mrs. Gray's mobile home, an asset of Mrs. Gray's Trust and where she could no longer reside, but Eileen was not willing to provide Ronald with information regarding the status of funds in Mrs. Gray's bank accounts. Eileen also declined Ronald's request to deposit the proceeds from the sale of the mobile home into a trust account to which Ronald and Eileen would both have access as co-trustees. Accordingly, Ronald was not willing to agree to sell the mobile home at that time.

The petitions currently before the court were filed. At the hearing on 5/22/2013, the Court ordered Eileen to produce copies of the monthly statements for Mrs. Gray's accounts at Chase Bank and San Joaquin Power Credit Union, and order the parties to list the mobile home for sale.

The parties immediately hired a real estate agent and listed the mobile home for sale. To date, to declarant's knowledge, there have been no offers to purchase the property.

Over two weeks later, on June 8, Eileen produced copies of Mrs. Gray's bank statements. The statements reflect however, that on May 14, 2013, Eileen withdrew over \$20,000 from her mother's credit union accounting, leaving a balance of \$5.00. She included a handwritten note that she had deposited the funds into Mrs. Gray's Chase Bank but, to date has not provided a copy of the Chase Bank accounts statements showing the funds were deposited there. A request was made to Eileen's attorney, Jennifer Walters, that a copy of Chase Bank statements be provided confirming the credit union funds were deposited there, but to date no such documentation has been received. Ms. Walters said only, in an e-mail, the funds are "accounted for" but gave no further explanation.

Additionally, the credit union statements showed a \$2,500 withdrawal by Eileen in February 2013. Inquiry was made to Ms. Walters about the nature of this withdrawal, but no response was received. Mr. Gray does not believe the withdrawal was to pay Cottonwood Court, where Mrs. Gray was living at the time, as the amount was inconsistent with the other payments made to that facility, nevertheless, the information has not been provided by either Eileen or her attorney.

Mr. Gray remains willing to try to resolve these matters with Eileen, but is finding it difficult to engage in discussions when she continues to withhold information.

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# 5B In Matter of: Lois Gray Durable Power of Attorney Case No.

Case No. 13CEPR00214

**Supplemental Declaration of Eileen Sutterfied filed on 6/20/2013.** Ms. Sutterfield states she never wanted to bring this action to the court's attention, but felt she had no choice.

Her brother has been fighting her with regards to her mother and her accounts, the trust, the mobile home, and the stocks for several months now. Ms. Sutterfied states she is trying to do right by her mother but to success in that endeavor she must rely on the court to assist her in resolving the matter.

When her mother drafted the Trust in 2009, she expressly only put a few pieces of property within the trust, the mobile home, a vehicle she sold in 2011, and her two parcels of mountain land. Her reasoning for drafting the trust was to prevent her and her brother from having to probate those assets.

During the time the trust was drafted, her mother had bank accounts and stocks that she did not wish to include in the trust. In 2010 her mother decided she wanted Eileen to be joint owner of her accounts. Ms. Sutterfield states she and her mother are very close. She has been her primary care giver, cooking for her, caring for her, helping her in every possible way. As a result of this relationship though the years she added Ms. Sutterfield to her accounts.

Ms. Sutterfield believes her brother is misunderstanding his role as a trustee. It is her understanding that he truly believes that all their mother's property, including her money should be in the trust for both of them to control. For example, the stocks her mother has had since before the trust was created have different percentages to the beneficiaries that the trust indicates. If the stocks were included in the in the trust her brother's percentage would increase from 10% to 15%.

Ms. Sutterfield states she is not trying to be difficult, but rather protect HERS and her mother's interest. Mrs. Sutterfied states that her brother has stated to a physician last year, in the presence of her and her husband, that he does not like their mother and has not liked her for over 20 years. He stated to the physician that the way he deals with his mother was to "avoid her." Ms. Sutterfield states her brother wishes for their mother to be in a care facility that is just "adequate" as anything more would be too expensive, and that she babies her. Ms. Sutterfield states their mother is in her 90s and will not be around for much longer. They should make every effort to make sure she enjoys her last years here. Even if this costs ever dollar she has.

Ms. Sutterfield states her only intention is to carry out her mother's wishes and protect her in any way she can from emotional and financial abuse and misuse of her funds. She cannot say the same motivation is driving her brother. He is not acting in the best interest of their mother. It is their mother's money, not his.

Ms. Sutterfield is requesting the court appoint a private fiduciary to become trustee of her mother's trust as there is no possible way she and her brother will be able to have any amicable working relationship. She is requesting the court deny her brother the ability to control any of the accounts that are held jointly between Ms. Sutterfield and her mother.

<u>Note:</u> The Trust is not properly before the court therefore the court has no jurisdiction to make an order appointing a private fiduciary to become the Trustee for the Trust. A separate action for the trust will need to be commenced, with notice to all parties interested in the trust.

# 5B In Matter of: Lois Gray Durable Power of Attorney Case No. 13CEPR00214

**Declaration of Leigh W. Burnside filed on 6/24/13 states** first in regard to Lois Gray's accounts at Chase Bank and the San Joaquin Power Credit Union, Ms. Sutterfield represented to the Court in her Response dated 5/21/13, that Mrs. Gray never told her why she added Ms. Sutterfield to those accounts. She further admitted that she has not deposited any of her own funds into those accounts. The monies in those accounts therefore belong exclusively to Lois Gray while she is living (see Probate Code §5301(a)). Accordingly; although Ms. Sutterfield may be a co-owner on the account, she is not a co-owner of the funds.

Her client, Ronald Gray, has not requested that all of Lois Gray's property be transferred to her Trust for him and Ms. Sutterfield to control and co-trustees. Further, he has not requested that Lois Gray's "stocks" be transferred to her Trust. On the contrary, in a correspondence declarant sent to Ms. Walters on 6/19/2013 (the day before Ms. Sutterfield filed her declaration) declarant proposed that the parties agree to the appointment of a private fiduciary to serve as trustee of Ms. Gray's Trust, and that the assets in the investment portfolio not be included in the Trust, except for the income generated by the portfolio which the trustee could use to pay Ms. Gray's expenses.

Mr. Gray denies that the allegations in the declaration. Ms. Sutterfield provides absolutely no support for her claims that Ronald Gray has engaged in any wrongdoing. She cites no specific instances or examples because she has none.

Finally, this dispute arose because Ms. Sutterfield was unwilling to share information regarding Ms. Gray's finances with Ronald Gray, a co-trustee and co-agent under Lois Gray's DPOA. Ronald Gray has consistently requested transparency, and Ms. Sutterfield has, since last November, consistently refused to provide it. Even now, Ms. Sutterfield and Ms. Walters have refused to provide proof of the whereabouts of the substantial withdrawal of funds that Ms. Sutterfield made from Lois Gray's credit union account on 5/14/2013. They have also refused to provide any information regarding the purpose of Ms. Sutterfield's withdrawal of \$2,500 from her mother's credit union account in February 2013. Declarant has asked for the information several times and she still does not have it.

It is respectfully requested this matter be set for trial

Sanoian, Joanne (for Rosanna Torosian – niece/Petitioner)

Petition for Letters of Administration; Authorization to Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

DOD: 05/12/13			LETTERS OF SPECIAL ADMINISTRATION	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
			EXPIRE 08/06/13	CONTINUED FROM 06/25/13
			<b>ROSANNA TOROSIAN</b> , niece, is Petitioner and request appointment as	Note: If the petition is granted status hearings will be set as follows:
Co	nt. from 062513		Administrator with bond set at	• Friday, 01/03/14 at 9:00a.m. in
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		\$285,000.00.	<b>Dept. 303</b> for the filing of the inventory and appraisal <b>and</b>
<b>✓</b>	Verified		,,	<ul> <li>Friday, 10/03/2014 at 9:00a.m.</li> </ul>
	Inventory		Limited IAEA – OK	in Dept. 303 for the filing of the first
	PTC No. 1			account and final distribution.
<b>✓</b>	Not.Cred.		Decedent died intestate	Pursuant to Local Rule 7.5 if the required
V	Notice of Hrg  Aff.Mail	\\/\/	Residence: Fresno	documents are filed 10 days prior to the
<del> </del>	Aff.Pub.	w/	Publication: The Business Journal	hearings on the matter the status hearing will come off calendar and no
Ė	Sp.Ntc.		1 oblication, the bosiness soomal	appearance will be required.
	Pers.Serv.		Estimated Value of the Estate:	· ·
	Conf. Screen		Personal property - \$285,000.00	
<b>√</b>	Letters		Annual income - 2,850.00	
<b>√</b>	Duties/Supp		Real property - 100,000.00	
	Objections		Total - \$387,850.00	
	Video Receipt		Probate Referee: <b>RICK SMITH</b>	
	CI Report			
	9202			
✓	Order			
	Aff. Posting			Reviewed by: JF
	Status Rpt			<b>Reviewed on:</b> 08/01/13
	UCCJEA			Updates:
	Citation			Recommendation: SUBMITTED
	FTB Notice			File 6 – Otrakjian

French, G Dana (for Linda Pedigo – Petitioner – Ex Spouse)

Petition for Probate of Will and for Letters Testamentary; Authorization to Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

DOD: 04/18/2013			LINDA PEDIGO, ex-spouse/named executor	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
		\	without bond, is petitioner.	
				Proposed personal representative is
		$\Box$	Petitioner is a resident of Watford, North	a resident of Watford, North Dakota. Probate Code §8571 states not
Cont. from			Dakota.	withstanding a waiver of bond, the
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		- C.I.G. G.	Court in its discretion may require a
1	Verified			nonresident personal representative
H	Inventory	<b>-</b>   F	Full IAEA – o.k.	to give a bond in an amount
	Inventory PTC			determined by the Court.
	Not.Cred.	<b>—</b> ,	Will dated: 03/15/2013	Note: If the petition is granted status
	Notice of		77 iii dalaa. 33, 10, 2010	hearings will be set as follows:
	Hrg			
		.//	Residence: Fresno	• Friday, 12/13/2013 at 9:00a.m.
<b>~</b>		<u>''</u>	Publication: The Business Journal	<b>in Dept. 303</b> for the filing of the
✓	Aff.Pub.			inventory and appraisal <u><b>and</b></u>
	Sp.Ntc.	<u> </u>	Estimated value of the estate:	• Friday, 10/10/2014 at 9:00a.m.
	Pers.Serv.	F	Real property - \$300,000.00	in Dept. 303 for the filing of the first
	Conf.			account and final distribution.
	Screen	╝.	Probate referee: Rick Smith	
✓	Letters		TODGIE TETETEE, NICKSTIIITT	Pursuant to Local Rule 7.5 if the required
✓	Duties/Supp			documents are filed 10 days prior to the
	Objections			hearings on the matter the status
	Video			hearing will come off calendar and no appearance will be required.
	Receipt			appearance will be required.
	CI Report			
	9202			
✓	Order			
	Aff. Posting			Reviewed by: LV
	Status Rpt			<b>Reviewed on:</b> 08/01/2013
	UCCJEA			Updates:
	Citation			Recommendation:
	FTB Notice			File 7 – Lauritzen

Fanucchi, Edward L. (for Isabel Diaz-Casillas – Petitioner – Sister)

Petition for Letters of Administration; Authorization to Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

DOD: 01/17/2013			<b>ISABEL DIAZ-CASILLAS,</b> sister is petitioner and	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:	
			requests appointment as Administrator		
			without bond.	Need name and date of death of	
				decedent's spouse pursuant to Local Rule 7.1.1D.	
Со	nt. from		Sole heirs waive bond	Rule 7.1.1D.	
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		COLO LIGITO WOLVE COLLE		
✓	Verified		Full IAEA – o.k.		
	Inventory			Note: If the petition is granted status	
	PTC		Decedent died intestate	hearings will be set as follows:	
	Not.Cred.				
1	Notice of		Desidence Freeze	• Friday, 12/13/2013 at 9:00a.m.	
	Hrg		Residence: Fresno Publication: The Business Journal	in Dept. 303 for the filing of the	
✓	Aff.Mail	w/	Tobiledilon. The Bosiness Journal	inventory and appraisal <u>and</u>	
✓	Aff.Pub.		Estimated value of the estate:	• Friday, 10/10/2014 at 9:00a.m.	
	Sp.Ntc.		Personal property - \$144,170.00	in Dept. 303 for the filing of the first	
	Pers.Serv.		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	account and final distribution.	
	Conf.			Pursuant to Local Rule 7.5 if the required	
	Screen		Probate Referee: Steven Diebert	documents are filed 10 days prior to the	
✓	Letters			hearings on the matter the status	
✓	Duties/Supp			hearing will come off calendar and no	
	Objections			appearance will be required.	
	Video				
	Receipt				
	CI Report				
	9202				
✓	Order				
	Aff. Posting			Reviewed by: LV	
	Status Rpt			<b>Reviewed on:</b> 08/01/2013	
	UCCJEA			Updates:	
	Citation			Recommendation:	
	FTB Notice			File 8 – Lujan	
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Torres, Judith Sanchez (pro per Petitioner/maternal grandmother)

Petition for Appointment of Guardian of the Person (Prob. C. 1510)

Age: 1 year			TEMPORARY EXPIRES 8/6/2013	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
	nt. from 070213 Aff.Sub.Wit. Verified Inventory PTC Not.Cred. Notice of Hrg Aff.Mail Aff.Pub. Sp.Ntc. Pers.Serv. Conf. Screen Letters Duties/Supp Objections Video	W/	JUDITH SANCHEZ-TORRES, maternal grandmother, is petitioner.  Father: STEVEN RODRIGUEZ - Declaration of Due Diligence filed on 5/22/2013.  Mother: MARIA TORRES – Declaration of Due Diligence filed on 5/22/2013  Paternal grandfather: Juan Rodriguez Paternal grandmother: Deceased Maternal grandfather: Edgardo Cisneros  Petitioner states the mother is 14 years old. The father is on probation for having sex with a minor. The child was in petitioner's home until he was abducted by the father. The authorities are looking for him and have urged her to seek guardianship.  Court Investigator Jennifer Young's Supplemental Report filed on 8/1/2013	Continued from 7/2/2013. Minute order states Edgardo Magadan is swom and interprets for the Petitioner. The Petitioner informs the court that the mother and child are believed to be in Mexico. The Petitioner requests that the temporary be extended while she attempts to locate the mother and the child. The Petitioner is directed to contact the Court Investigator if their whereabouts become known.  1. Need proof of personal service of the Notice of Hearing along with a copy of the Petition or Consent and Waiver of Notice on:  a. Juan Rodriguez (father) – unless the court dispenses with notice.  b. Maria Torres (mother)- unless the court dispenses with notice.
<b>√</b>	Receipt CI Report			
	9202			
✓	Order			
	Aff. Posting			Reviewed by: KT
	Status Rpt			Reviewed on: 8/1/2013
✓	UCCJEA			Updates:
	Citation			Recommendation:
	FTB Notice	<u> </u>		File 10 - Torres